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AB A method for treating a mammary gland disorder, including hyperplastic, hypertonic, cystic and/or neoplastic mammary gland tissue by local administration of a **botulinum** toxin to or to the vicinity of the afflicted breast tissue is described.

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 TI Gangliosides confer sensitivity to **botulinum** neurotoxin A.  
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AB The clostridial neurotoxins (tetanus and **botulinum**) act presynaptically by cleaving proteins required for synaptic vesicle exocytosis. Specific high affinity neuronal surface receptor(s) for the clostridial neurotoxins have not been identified although these toxins bind with low affinity to polysialogangliosides. Tetanus toxin-induced blockade of neurotransmitter release is prevented in neuronal cultures maintained in the drug fumonisin B1, which prevents polysialoganglioside synthesis by inhibiting ceramide synthase. Addition of exogenous gangliosides to fumonisin-treated cultures restores tetanus toxin binding and its ability to block neurotransmitter release (Williamson et al., 1999, J Biol Chem 274:25173-25180). Thus, in the case of tetanus toxin, gangliosides are critical for the delivery of **toxin** to its intracellular **substrate**. In this study, we show that fumonisin B1 (20µM for three weeks) confers significant protection to mouse spinal cord cell cultures against **botulinum** neurotoxin A-induced inhibition of neurotransmitter release and proteolysis of **SNAP-25**. Furthermore, the addition of gangliosides to ganglioside-depleted cultures restores the ability of **botulinum** neurotoxin A to block potassium-evoked glycine release. The gangliosides GT1b and GQ1b are nearly equivalent and GD1b is somewhat less effective in restoring toxin action. These results suggest that gangliosides play an important role in mediating the binding and delivery of **botulinum** neurotoxin A.

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